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Dear President Buonfiglio,

the first bilateral meeting, held in Rome on April 14, was attended by the Directors-general of Croatia and Italy; the MEDAC Executive Secretary was invited.


The meeting identified the target species characterizing the fisheries in the Adriatic Sea as a starting point for a discards joint management plan.

At the same time each Member State announced the intention to adopt management measures that may affect the selectivity of the gears, the space-time closures of sensitive maritime areas for certain fish stocks, the reduction of mortality and fishing effort.

Taking into account the results of scientific advices and reports, as well as the direct knowledge of national managers and administrators, Italy and Croatia finally identified hake, red mullet and sole as the target species which define the fisheries in the area.

In this regard, we kindly ask you to collaborate, as already requested with our letter sent on March 30 ref.6112, with the two Administrations in order to carry out a fisheries discards and management plan in the Adriatic Sea, in relation to the landing obligations for demersal species entering into force starting from January 1, 2017, as well as the identification of possible exemptions according to Reg. (UE) 1380/13.

Best regards,


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